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CALIFORNIA COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS†

Symposium on Military Medicine in This Issue

Members of the California Medical Association who are interested in the status of medical preparedness should scan the papers read by representatives of the military services at the annual session held at Del Monte in May last, which appear in this issue. See pages 68, 70, 71, 74, and 75.

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Few Doctors Answer Plea of Britain

Chicago, July 3 (AP).—The *American Medical Association* reported today a "not too gratifying" response so far to British appeals for American medical volunteers, and said the need for physicians at home was so great that the British request would be met "only with the greatest difficulty."

"The news from abroad and from Washington," the association's *Weekly Journal* said, "seems to indicate constantly the threat of the entrance of our own nation into the war. This also has unquestionably influenced many physicians to hesitate about answering the British appeal."

About 65 American physicians are ready to join British medical services and 25 other volunteers are likely to be available soon.

Since President Roosevelt asked the American Red Cross and medical organizations several months ago to help obtain 1,000 physicians requested by the British Red Cross, the A. M. A. has received 1,343 inquiries and sent out 643 applications.—*Long Beach Press*.

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The Human Element

Dr. Thomas Parran, surgeon general of the United States, declared at a recent meeting of the *American Medical Association* it is high time the nation endeavored to make her man power as good as her machines.

Doctor Parran says there were 350,000,000 man days lost in 1940 because of illness and industrial accidents. That is equivalent to 1,000,000 men working a full year. And if 10 per cent of this loss could be prevented it would be sufficient to build five battleships or 16,407 combat tanks.

The country should not remain complacent concerning this loss of labor power at a time when national defense calls for the utilization of every bit of available skill. And

† Philip K. Gilman, M. D., 2000 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, is chairman of the California Committee on Medical Preparedness. Charles A. Dukes, M. D., 426 Seventeenth Street, Oakland, is a member of the American Medical Association Committee on Medical Preparedness. Roster of county chairmen on Medical Preparedness appeared in CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, August, 1940, on page 86.

from the individual standpoint a day's work lost through sickness or preventable accident is gone forever.

That is reason sufficient why every man should do all in his power to guard himself against disease and practice safety. He owes it to himself and to his country to do both. —*Sacramento Bee.*

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC POLICY AND LEGISLATION†

PREMARITAL LAW *

An evaluation study of the Premarital Law is now being undertaken, to determine whether the law is accomplishing the purposes for which it was designed. It is a truism that social institutions which affect the intimate lives of many people, involve expenditure of substantial sums of public monies, and pertain to a major health problem, must justify their existence by demonstrably concrete evidence that definite social gains are achieved. Premarital legislation was put forward and instituted on the basis that such social benefit would be derived. The State Department of Health proposes to gather evidence which will support or refute these claims, with an impartial and open minded approach.

Again the physician is called upon to assist in the evaluation, since the survey will be based on questionnaires sent to the physician who examined the applicant for marriage certificate. The survey is strictly for statistical purposes, there being no attempt or intent to "check up" on any physician.

Of the first 200 letters sent out to physicians, 150 have been returned completed, giving data of great value to the study. This response has been most gratifying.

The practicing physician has a major interest in this legislation since it has imposed upon him a serious legal responsibility and often places him in positions where difficult decisions must be made. The physician as always is willing to take on additional burdens and responsibilities if through them his patients and society generally may benefit. He does, however, like to be certain that those benefits are forthcoming. This evaluation study should help to demonstrate the effectiveness of the Premarital Law.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION‡

Basic Science Initiative**

Work on the Basic Science Law has started. That simple statement reads as welcome news to the members of the Committee on Public Health Education as well as to the members of the Association as a whole.

The petition forms have been printed. Letters have been prepared for mailing to all doctors of medicine and dentists

† Component County Societies and California Medical Association members should not give endorsements to proposed legislation unless the California Medical Association Committee on Public Policy and Legislation has so requested. On such matters, address: California Medical Association Committee on Legislation, Dwight Murray, M. D., Chairman, 450 Sutter, San Francisco. Telephone, DOuglas 0062.

* From the State Department of Public Health, Bureau of Venereal Diseases.

‡ The Committee on Public Health Education was established through Substitute Resolution No. 6 at the Del Monte annual session, May 3, 1939.

The Committee on Public Health Education consists of Frank R. Makinson, chairman, Oakland; Philip K. Gilman, secretary, San Francisco; Samuel Ayres, Jr., Los Angeles; Thomas A. Card, Riverside; James F. Doughty, Tracy; Lowell S. Goin, Los Angeles; Junius B. Harris, Sacramento; Henry S. Rogers (ex officio), Petaluma. Communications to the committee may be addressed to Frank R. Makinson, M. D., chairman, Wakefield Building, Oakland, or to the California Medical Association office, 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco.

** For editorial comment in this issue, see page 56.

in the recognized state associations. Envelopes have been addressed. Everything is ready to go.

By the time this copy of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE reaches you, or at most within a few days of that time, each of you will have received a letter from the Public Health League of California. A few days after you receive the letter, you will receive a printed petition form which carries the text of the proposed Basic Science Law and spaces for 100 signatures. From that point forward the success of this campaign is up to you.

It has been decided by all interested parties that the huge expense of professional petition circulating can be avoided to a great extent by the physicians and dentists of California doing their own work on the securing of signatures. If the members of the California Medical Association will do their part, this work can be completed at a minimum cost and with maximum effectiveness.

Your petition form carries a full set of instructions on the back cover. For purposes of repetition, these instructions have been printed in red ink on a separate sheet covering the face of the petition; this sheet can be torn off on a perforated line after you are familiar with the instructions.

The Committee urges each of you to read the instructions carefully. After that, your success in securing signatures will depend entirely on your own efforts. Among your friends, your patients, your office and home visitors, your neighbors, you can surely find 100 registered voters willing to sign the petition and thus help put the Basic Science Law on the ballot.

If you have any questions about the petition or the procedure required, get in touch with the San Francisco or Los Angeles office of the Public Health League of California. If you want extra petition forms for your secretary or office assistant, please ask for them. Each circulator of a petition must secure all signatures in his own presence, and nobody else can legally request even one signature for your petition.

Now that all details have been cleared, the medical and dental professions can go to work on the Basic Science Law. Success is yours for the asking.

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Public Health Exhibits at County Fairs

Exhibits at Placer and Alameda County Fairs

Value of public health publicity through utilization of the facilities available at county fairs, of which there are some fifty-two held yearly in California*, was discussed in the July issue of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE (Pages 1 and 45), special mention being made of the results accruing from the Tehama County Fair held at Red Bluff on June 12-14.

Since then, American Medical Association and California Medical Association exhibit material has been used at the Placer County Fair held at Auburn, June 20-22, and at the Alameda County Fair, in operation at Pleasanton, July 3-12.

At the Placer County Fair, Dr. J. A. Russell of Auburn acted as chairman of the local committee handling the exhibits. For Alameda County, Dr. C. W. Mack of Livermore rendered generous service in arranging the construction of an exhibit booth, and a dark room for film presentations.

Under the new system of grants-in-aid to county fair authorities of California, it is possible during the next several years, that separate exhibit and other structures will be erected upon most of the fair grounds of the State. With such better facilities, there will be an increased attendance by visiting citizens, and greater opportunities than ever to use the fairs in the promotion of public health education.

* For list of Fairs and dates, see July issue, page 46.

During the present year, the four American Medical Association exhibits described below are available for use through the California Medical Association.

Every component county society is urged to take up this new work. Even though the time may be short, the experience that will be acquired, if an exhibit is installed, will make for a better presentation at next year's fair. The public health exhibits have been placed in charge of the Association Secretary, Dr. George H. Kress, 450 Sutter Street, San Francisco, to whom requests for further information should be sent.

The California Medical Association will pay transportation costs of exhibits, the component county medical societies assuming the local expenses.

Descriptive paragraphs of the four American Medical Association exhibits follow:

A. M. A. EXHIBITS AVAILABLE FOR CALIFORNIA FAIRS

A. M. A. Exhibit No. 3 on "The Respiratory System of Health and Disease"

An exhibit consisting of three visitor participation units showing a pair of rubber lungs and how they expand when the diaphragm is pulled down, the bronchoscope with a collection of foreign bodies found in the lungs and the nasopharyngoscope and how it is used. Several panels contain posters showing the anatomic structure of the lungs, pneumothorax, tuberculosis, silicosis, pneumonia and the common cold.

Space required, an area 10 feet wide by 6 feet deep. No tables or back walls are needed.

Electrical requirements, three outlets for lamps totaling about 200 watts.

Shipping weight, 479 pounds. (Consists of 4 gray painted cases, labeled 3a, 3b, 3c, and 3d.)

A. M. A. Exhibit No. 9 on "Dangers of Self Diagnosis and Self Medication"

An exhibit consisting of a series of transparencies in a large case 8 feet long by 4 feet high, with transparent mirror for visitor participation; two additional visitor participation units with questions and answers; three exposition files giving information on when to call the doctor, first aid and the home medicine cabinet.

Space required, area 10 feet wide by 6 feet deep (or 20 linear feet); no background necessary; strong table or horses for transparency case with two small tables for exposition files.

Electrical connections, two outlets for lamps totaling 740 watts. (Consists of 7 gray cases, labeled 9-A, 9-B, 9-C, 9-D, 9-E, 9-F, and 9-G.)

A. M. A. Exhibit No. 21 on "Heart Disease"

An exhibit consisting of panels showing the normal heart, with transparencies showing diseased hearts; an exposition file giving information about heart disease.

Space required, an area 10 feet wide by 6 feet deep; no background necessary; small table for exposition file.

Electrical connections, one outlet for lights in transparency case using 240 watts.

Shipping weight, 435 pounds. (Consists of 3 gray painted cases, labeled 21-A, 21-C, and 21-D.)

A. M. A. Exhibit No. 42 on "Patent Medicine Testimonials"

An exhibit from the Bureau of Investigation consisting of posters showing testimonials for "patent medicines" with the death notice of the person in the same copy of the newspaper, or the death certificate dated some weeks or months previously. Two visitor participation units, one with a transparent mirror showing appropriate cartoon and one with questions and answers.

Space required, a booth with back wall 10 feet wide and side walls 6 feet deep for twelve posters each 22x28 inches; two small tables for transparent mirror and question and answer device.

Electrical connections, two outlets alternating current, using about 150 watts. (Consists of 2 gray cases, labeled 42-A and 42-C.)

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What Doctors Could Tell

In the Franklin Democrat for January 16 appears an editorial that can be read with much profit by every physician; it is but another way of putting what we have been trying to say for many years, that the medical profession is too modest about its accomplishments; too few of the American public are aware as to what we have done in years past:

American medicine, as an authority recently observed, has a weak spot. It is not a weakness affecting the patient—

the sick man or woman anxiously seeking a return to health. The weakness lies in the fact that the medical profession has been so busy fighting disease in experimental laboratories as well as at the bedsides of the ill, that it has found little time to tell the public of its tremendous achievements. But an amazing story could be told.

The undeniable record is there for all who wish to read it. And it tells, through the figures, a dramatic and inspirational story of an endless battle against disease and suffering and death.

That battle has won victory after victory. In the period of a century and a half, in this country, the life expectancy of man has nearly doubled—from 35 to 62 years. During that time, typhus, once one of the greatest killers, has all but disappeared. Smallpox and diphtheria, dreaded specters not so long ago, have been robbed of their terrors.

Other great scourges, typhoid, diabetes, tuberculosis, have been put under control, and their mortality rates steadily reduced.

That is what American medicine has done. And all over the land, and in countless laboratories and institutes for the most part privately financed and managed, the doctors and the scientists are fighting, day and night, the scourges which have not yet been conquered.

Medicine is not an industry. But like industry, it has rendered its greatest service to the people under a system which places no brakes upon the achievements of the individual, and which encourages any man, in any field, to develop his talents to the utmost.

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Dramatic Health

A symposium of members of the American Medical Association recommends that health education in schools be dramatized so that children will take a genuine interest in keeping themselves well. The word "dramatize" connotes plays and costumes and properties, but these elaborations are not necessary.

Children, as a rule, are delighted to learn that their milk and their daily orange juice help to make strong bones and good teeth. They take a keen interest in the "pump" that sends the blood through their body and the "heating system" that keeps them warm even when they play out in the snow. The idea of getting every possible germ off the hands and face before eating is quite exciting and makes a thorough wash-up before meals an important piece of business much more interesting than cleanliness alone.

Once a child realizes that different foods serve different purposes in making him grow and keep well, he's quite likely to eat happily while he discusses the muscles he expects to develop for tree climbing, bike riding, and so on.

Such "dramatization" can be done at home where parents are well informed and interested in the method. Some of it certainly must be done in the schools. But in neither place does it need to be a formal, burdensome process.—Porterville Recorder.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS†

Animal Experimentation: Radio Broadcast by Lewis A. Aleson:

Strong arguments against vivisection were advanced by Dr. Lewis A. Aleson, secretary of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, in a radio broadcast given in San Francisco the evening of July 21. The arguments were up-to-date facts known to the medical profession; their use was to combat the time-worn claims of antivivisectionists, who apparently are unable to unearth new or unemotional reasons for stopping scientific work conducted with animals. While medicine progresses with the aid of animals, antivivisection claims remain in the same niche they carved out for themselves years ago.

Doctor Aleson's broadcast was part of a public service program sponsored by radio station KQW, with a studio

† The complete roster of the Committee on Public Relations is printed on page 2 of the front advertising section of each issue. Dr. Donald Cass of Los Angeles is the chairman, and Mr. John Hunton is the secretary. Component county societies and California Medical Association members are invited to present their problems to the committee. All communications should be sent to the director of the department, Mr. John Hunton, Room 2004, Four Fifty Sutter Street, San Francisco.

in San Francisco and transmitting station in San Jose. The broadcast was a forum program, in which Alexander Mooslin, San Francisco attorney, took the antivivisection side and Ernest E. Weihe, San Francisco architect, represented the public. Lewis E. Haas, San Francisco public relations counsel, acted as moderator.

The thanks of the Committee on Public Relations are due to Doctor Alesen for his splendid presentation of this subject, and the committee takes this opportunity to express its thanks publicly. H.

COMMITTEE ON POSTGRADUATE ACTIVITIES†

Inyo-Mono County Medical Society

Postgraduate Meeting: Conference on Organized Medicine

Inyo-Mono County Medical Society held a meeting last Friday, June 27, in the Methodist church in Bishop. Guest speakers of the evening were Dr. George Kress, secretary of California Medical Association; Dr. Louis Packard, councilor for California Medical Association, for districts of Bakersfield, Kern, Tulare, Inyo and Mono counties; Dr. J. C. Savage of Los Angeles, who is connected with St. Vincent's hospital; Dr. Roderick A. Ogden of Bakersfield; Dr. Lloyd H. Fox of Bakersfield.

At this meeting the dentists of Inyo county were taken into the medical society as affiliate members. Dentists present were Dr. J. C. Baxter, Dr. Ed Bulpitt and Dr. Choate of Bishop.

Twenty-three were present altogether, including several wives. Mrs. Packard, who is councilor for the women's society, made a plea to the group that the wives of the Inyo-Mono county doctors form an auxiliary unit to aid the doctors in their undertakings. Officers have been elected in the newly formed Woman's Auxiliary and are Mrs. Harvey W. Crook, president; Mrs. L. S. Bambauer, vice-president, and Mrs. Clarence L. Scott, secretary-treasurer, all of Bishop.—*Independence Independent*, July 4.

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Postgraduate Medical Courses for Practicing Physicians*

Stanford University School of Medicine, in coöperation with the San Francisco Department of Public Health and the San Francisco Hospital, on September 8-12, 1941, inclusive, will present a series of postgraduate courses for physicians. Each physician may take one morning and one afternoon course, or a full-day course, and all physicians should attend the evening general meetings. There will be a registration fee of twenty-five dollars. An additional fee of ten dollars will be made to cover the cost of materials used in Course 6, Surgical Anatomy and Operative Technic, and in Course 8, Ophthalmology. Registration closes August 30, 1941. All fees are payable to Stanford University School of Medicine. Checks and applications for registration in these courses should be mailed to the Dean, Stanford University School of Medicine, 2398 Sacramento Street, San Francisco, not later than August 30.

OUTLINE OF COURSES MORNING COURSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
8:30-12

Course 1—Gynecology

About half of this course will be devoted to diagnostic procedures, therapeutic agents and fundamentals of treatment of endocrine disturbances affecting the sex organs of women. The remainder of the course will take up obstet-

rical analgesia and anesthesia, the use of vitamins in obstetrics, certain aspects of infertility and abortion.

Course by Drs. D. A. Dallas, L. A. Emge, C. F. Fluhmann, T. Henshaw Kelly, Lewis Michelson, A. V. Pettit, K. L. Schaupp, and H. A. Stephenson.

Course 2—Medical Diagnosis and Treatment

This course will consider only a few diseases (the anemias and bleeding diseases, hepatitis, peptic ulcer, renal disease and hypertension, diabetes mellitus, etc.). Special attention will be given to the interpretations of laboratory data as diagnostic and therapeutic aids, and to the use of the sulfonamides in infectious diseases.

Course by Drs. C. W. Barnett, A. L. Bloomfield, Garnett Cheney, Windsor Cutting, L. A. Rantz, and David Rytand.

Course 3—Diseases of the Genito-Urinary Tract

This course will review the common disorders of the genito-urinary tract by lectures and discussions, and by demonstrations of diagnostic and treatment methods in the out-patient clinic, ward rounds, operative and cystoscopic clinics.

Course by Drs. J. R. Dillon, James Ownby, L. R. Reynolds, and William Sumner.

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AFTERNOON COURSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
1:30-5

Course 4—Diagnosis and Treatment of Malignant Tumors

This course will consider (1) present-day theories of the origin and nature of cancer, (2) methods for diagnosis, including the criteria of malignancy, indications and technic for biopsy, and (3) principles of surgical and radiological treatment, with discussion of the specific indications offered by the various histological and regional groups of tumors.

Course by Drs. W. E. Borley, J. R. Dillon, L. G. Dobson, L. A. Emge, L. H. Garland, E. F. Holman, G. V. Kulchar, Edward Leef, R. C. McNaught, R. R. Newell, F. L. Reichert, Robert Scarborough, and D. A. Wood.

Course 5—Cardiovascular Diseases

This course will consist of clinics and discussions on various aspects of cardiovascular disease with particular reference to diagnosis and treatment. There will also be discussions of various laboratory procedures including electrocardiography and fluoroscopy with special emphasis on their use in practice. A portion of the time will be devoted to peripheral vascular disease.

Course by Drs. C. W. Barnett, A. L. Bloomfield, J. K. Lewis, Lester Lipsitch, Carol McKenney, R. R. Newell, W. W. Newman, W. H. Northway, Ann Purdy, L. A. Rantz, J. M. Read, F. L. Reichert, and D. A. Rytand.

Course 6—Surgical Anatomy and Operative Technic (limited to twenty-four physicians)

This course will be conducted in the dissecting room and the experimental laboratories; will include dissection of special regions and instruction and practice in the technic of various operations.

An additional fee of ten dollars will be charged to cover the cost of material used in this course.

Course by Drs. Donald King, G. W. Nagel, and Hall Seely.

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FULL-DAY COURSES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday
Mornings, 9-12; Afternoons, 2-5

Course 7—Surgical Emergencies, Traumatic Injuries and Fractures (At San Francisco Hospital)

This course will include lectures, demonstrations, and ward rounds, dealing with the diagnosis and treatment of conditions related to trauma.

Course by Drs. Edmund Butler, J. W. Cline, Charles E. Cooper, Leo Eloesser, Frederick Fender, W. Wallace Greene, Bert L. Halter, Delbert Hand, Nelson Howard, Russell Klein, Frank Lusignan, Carleton Mathewson, Jr., J. Minton Meherin, and E. J. Morrissey.

Course 8—Ophthalmology (Limited to fifteen. This course for specialists only)

This course will include practical demonstrations of eye operations in the laboratory, with performance of these operations by the class and didactic lectures on select subjects. There will be four afternoon demonstrations of selected out-patient material and one afternoon of operative clinic.

An additional fee of ten dollars will be charged to cover the cost of anatomical materials used in this course.

Course by Drs. Hans Barkan, J. W. Bettman, W. E. Borley, S. F. Boyle, Samuel Engel, Max Fine, Avery Hicks, R. S. Irvine, and Dohrmann Pischel.

†Requests concerning clinical conferences, guest speakers, and other information, should be sent to the California Medical Association headquarters office, 450 Sutter, San Francisco, in care of the Association Secretary, who is secretary ex officio of the Committee on Postgraduate Activities.

* See letter on page 110.

Course 9—Anesthesiology (Limited to eight physicians. Only those whose practice already includes anesthesiology will be eligible for this course)

This course will review preliminary medication; the newer anesthetic agents; the rectal, intravenous, and inhalation methods of administrations; obstetric analgesia and anesthesia; posture during anesthesia.

Course by Drs. Emelie Andersen, Winifred Golenternek, Grace Gunn, William B. Neff, Lorruli Rethwilm, John A. Stiles and Laverne Wright.

GENERAL MEETINGS

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday Evenings

Lane Hall—8-10 o'clock

Meeting 1. Tuesday Evening, September 9—The Use of Physical Therapy in Modern Medicine, Dr. W. H. Northway.

Meeting 2. Wednesday Evening, September 10—Behavior Problems in Pediatric Practice, Dr. Hale F. Shirley and Dr. Mary H. Layman.

Meeting 3. Thursday Evening, September 11—Everyday Problems in Industrial Medicine, Dr. Rodney Beard, Dr. Nelson J. Howard and Dr. William Shepard.

COMMITTEE ON MEDICAL ECONOMICS

Locum Tenens Agreements Should Be Specific

We quote from the minutes of the February 4, 1941, meeting of the Board of Trustees of The Medical Society of the State of Pennsylvania introductory to a discussion of the subject and publication of two forms of agreement:

President Borzell read correspondence between himself and our society's legal counselor regarding the possibility of dual payment of income tax; first, by physicians serving as locum tenens in the absence of physicians in military service; and, later, by the absent physician on his share of fees collected by the locum tenens. Doctor Mayock moved, seconded by Doctor Samuel, and unanimously carried, that at the conclusion of the discussion of this subject between Doctors Dorzell, Donaldson, and the legal counselor, if found advisable, the outcome be widely dispersed. (The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees at its meeting on March 12 advised publication.)

The Federal Internal Revenue Department has ruled that where a physician simply takes over the practice of another under an agreement to pay a certain percentage of the cash collected to the absent physician, an income tax must be paid both on the total net collections of the locum tenens and again paid by the absent physician on the percentage of receipts turned over to him. The theory is that unless an existing agreement clearly indicates the contrary, the locum tenens is in effect purchasing a capital asset; namely, a practice, and that the sums which he pays to the absent practitioner are not deductible expenses.

Our society's legal counselor in submitting agreements Nos. 1 and 2 is attempting to make it clear that the arrangement is only for a specified period of time, and that the practice of the absent physician has not been purchased.

With no attempt to create the impression that such an arrangement will be acceptable to the Department of Internal Revenue, the attorney proffers the two agreements. In No. 1, whatever risk from a tax standpoint is involved, it shall be borne by the absent practitioner; in No. 2, by the locum tenens.

It is of course obvious in both suggested agreements that where the locum tenens is an established neighboring physician the clause covering the location for practice after the return of the absent practitioner is superfluous, but it would be applicable in all instances where an outside physician has been imported as locum tenens.

Two agreements are printed below. Although our legal counselor is unwilling to venture a definite opinion that either of them will be acceptable to the Department of Revenue, it is his opinion that they represent the best possible attempt to avoid the double taxation feature.

AGREEMENT NO. 1

....., 1941.

Dear Doctor B:

I hereby employ you to take care of my patients from, 1941, to December 31, 1941, both inclusive, and agree to pay you a salary of 40 per cent of the fees paid by my patients for medical attention rendered by you, and also agree to reimburse you for the actual expenses incurred by you in the care of my patients, but not in excess of 10 per cent of the fees paid by my patients for medical attention rendered by you.

It is understood that this agreement may be terminated by either of us at any time upondays' written notice thereof given to the other, but, unless sooner terminated, shall continue for the above-mentioned period.

Upon the termination of this agreement it is understood that you will not engage in the practice of medicine or surgery within a radius offrom....., for a period of.....

If the above is acceptable to you, kindly indicate your acceptance thereof as indicated below.

Yours very truly,

DR. A.

This.....day of.....
1941, I accept the above employment upon the above-mentioned terms and conditions.

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Dr. B.

AGREEMENT NO. 2

....., 1941.

Dear Doctor B:

I hereby authorize you to take care of my patients from, 1941, to December 31, 1941, with the understanding that you pay me 50 per cent of the fees paid by my patients for medical attention rendered by you, and with the further understanding that this authority shall terminate with the termination of this agreement, which may be terminated by either of us at any time upondays' written notice thereof given to the other, but this agreement unless sooner terminated shall continue for the above-mentioned period.

Upon the termination of this agreement it is understood that you will not engage in the practice of medicine or surgery within a radius offrom..... for a period of.....

If the above is acceptable to you, kindly indicate your acceptance thereof as indicated below.

Yours very truly,

DR. A.

This.....day of.....
1941, I accept the above and agree to take care of the above-described patients upon the above-mentioned terms and conditions.

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Dr. B.

—*Pennsylvania Medical Journal*, April, 1941.

COUNTY SOCIETIES†

CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

New Members (14)

Kern County (2)

John J. Cawley, *Bakersfield*.

Francis J. Gundry, Jr., *Bakersfield*

Mendocino-Lake County (1)

Ruth L. Green, *Talmage*

Monterey County (1)

J. W. Buehler, *Aromas*

Orange County (2)

Lawrence L. Bean, *Santa Ana*

Lloyd F. Smith, *Fullerton*

San Diego County (4)

E. L. Bormann, *San Diego*

Rollin M. Falk, *San Diego*

Norman N. O'Farrell, *San Diego*

Samuel N. Palevsky, *San Diego*

† For roster of officers of component county medical societies, see page 4 in front advertising section.

*San Francisco County (3)*Josef H. Nussenfeld, *San Francisco*John A. Spencer, *San Francisco*Emanuel Windholz, *San Francisco**Tulare County (1)*Fred E. Cooley, *Dinuba*

In Memoriam

Cain, William Thomas. Died at Gardena, June 18, 1941, age 60. Graduate of Kentucky School of Medicine, Louisville, 1904. Licensed in California in 1922. Doctor Cain was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.



Conn, Carl Edwin. Died at Hollywood, July 6, 1941, age 66. Graduate of State University of Iowa College of Medicine, Iowa City, 1895. Licensed in California in 1920. Doctor Conn was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.



Smith, Clyde Livingston. Died at Los Angeles, May 17, 1941, age 62. Graduate of University of Illinois College of Medicine, Chicago, 1902. Licensed in California in 1919. Doctor Smith was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.



Smith, John Lawrence. Died at Los Angeles, June 26, 1941, age 74. Graduate of Rush Medical College, University of Chicago, 1901. Licensed in California in 1901. Doctor Smith was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

OBITUARY

Edward William Hanlon, M. D.

1872-1941

Edward William Hanlon is dead.

He died as quietly and unobtrusively and gently as he lived. In death, as in life, he had the love, respect, and admiration of all who knew him. Doctor Hanlon was born January 24, 1872, in San Diego, the son of John and Catherine Hanlon. He attended St. Vincent's College in Los Angeles, and from there went to Columbia University Medical School, from which he received his degree of M. D. in 1893. He took one year's internship at St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Patterson, returning to California in July, 1894, when he was licensed to practice medicine.

In the latter part of 1894, Doctor Hanlon settled in Marysville, California, where he engaged in general practice until January, 1906. About that time he had decided to devote his time and skill to the subject which interested him for many years; namely, gastro-enterology. In order to prepare himself for this specialty he returned to New York for further study, but soon learned that the courses he desired were not available there. In the meantime, his fiancée, Miss Mary Kelly, of Napa, California, came to New York and they were quietly married on the 19th of March, 1906. Doctor Hanlon and his bride then proceeded

to Europe, where he studied in Berlin, Vienna and Goettingen.

In December, 1907, after a year and eight months in Europe, they returned to the United States where he opened an office in Los Angeles, specializing as he intended to, in the diseases of the digestive tract. In 1908 their one child was born. Doctor Hanlon remained in Los Angeles until the fall of 1913, when he came to San Francisco. Here he gained his great reputation as an outstanding consultant and practitioner in his specialty.

A. B. D.

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION†

MRS. HARRY O. HUND.....President
MRS. RENE VAN DE CARR.....Chairman on Publicity
MRS. ROSSNER GRAHAM.....Asst. Chairman on Publicity

Official Notices

State Board Meeting.—The President, Mrs. Harry O. Hund, has called a meeting of the State Board of the Woman's Auxiliary to be held on Friday, September 19, in San Francisco. All presidents of county auxiliaries are invited to attend this meeting.



State Board members for 1941-1942 are: President, Mrs. Harry O. Hund of San Rafael; president-elect, Mrs. F. G. Lindemulder, San Diego; first vice-president, Mrs. R. Stanley Kneeshaw, San Jose; second vice-president, Mrs. Ralph B. Eusden, Long Beach; recording secretary, Mrs. R. K. Cutter, Berkeley; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Frank A. Lowe, San Francisco; treasurer, Mrs. Edmund Morrissey, San Francisco; councilors-at-large: Mrs. Eric Colby, Bakersfield; Mrs. R. Emerson Bond, San Diego; Mrs. Rene Van de Carr, Piedmont, and Mrs. Franklyn D. Hankins, Riverside.

District Councilors: Mrs. G. W. Coon of Riverside for First District, Mrs. Franklin Farman of Los Angeles for Second District, Mrs. Louis Packard of Bakersfield for Third District, Mrs. J. C. McClure of Lindsay for Fourth District, Mrs. Allen Pederson of Santa Cruz for Fifth District, Mrs. M. R. Gordon of San Francisco for Sixth District, Mrs. Kaho Daily of Richmond for Seventh District, Mrs. C. C. Landis of Chico for Eighth District, and Mrs. H. Randall Madeley of Vallejo for Ninth District.

The chairmen of standing committees appointed from this group are: Membership and Organization, Mrs. R. Stanley Kneeshaw; Program and Health Education, Mrs. Ralph B. Eusden; Finance, Mrs. F. G. Lindemulder; Public Relations, Mrs. Eric Colby; Public Health Activities, Mrs. R. Emerson Bond; Editor and Publicity, Mrs. Rene Van de Carr; *Hygeia*, Mrs. Franklyn D. Hankins; Convention, Mrs. John C. Sharp; Historian, Mrs. Arthur Newcomb; and Parliamentarian, Mrs. Hobart Rogers. Mrs. Franklin Farman is chairman of a Special Committee on Medical Benevolence Fund.



News

Mrs. A. E. Anderson, past State President of the Woman's Auxiliary, was elected second vice-president of the

† As county auxiliaries to the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association are formed, the names of their officers should be forwarded to Mrs. Rossner Graham, Assistant Chairman on Publicity, 6101 Acacia Avenue, Oakland. Address of the Chairman on Publicity: Mrs. Rene Van de Carr, 51 Prospect Road, Piedmont.

For roster of officers of state and county auxiliaries, see advertising page 6.

Woman's Auxiliary to the American Medical Association at the national convention held in Cleveland from June 2 to June 6. Mrs. Anderson will be Organization Chairman of the Western Division.

Telephone and Telegraph	60.00
Convention	150.00
Courier	375.00
President's Discretionary Fund	300.00
Membership and Organization	100.00
Miscellaneous	30.00
Total	\$1,315.00

Twelfth Annual Convention, Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association, May 6, 1941

FIRST MEETING

The first meeting of the Twelfth Annual Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association was called to order at 10 a. m., Tuesday, May 6, 1941, at the Peninsula Country Club, Monterey, by the President, Mrs. A. E. Anderson.

The Invocation was offered by Reverend Theodore Bell; the Convention Chairman, Mrs. John C. Sharp, was introduced by Mrs. A. E. Anderson; the address of welcome was given by Mrs. Martin McAulay, Monterey County, and the response was read by Mrs. H. Randall Madeley of Solano County.

IN MEMORIAM

Mrs. Kaho Daily of Contra Costa County conducted a beautiful candle ceremony, giving tribute to the memory of those members who have passed away during the year. The ceremony was concluded with music by Mrs. Milton Shutes, accompanied by Dr. Charles Greenwood.

Alameda County, Mrs. William Strietman; Contra Costa County, Mrs. Charles Blake; Los Angeles County, Mrs. H. E. Scheffbauer, Mrs. Charles L. Bennett, Mrs. J. M. Nielson, Mrs. Frances McLaren; Orange County, Mrs. H. A. Johnston; San Diego County, Mrs. J. H. Young, Mrs. C. Randall.

ROLL CALL

By the Secretary, Mrs. R. K. Cutter.

REPORTS OF CONVENTION COMMITTEES

Credentials.—Mrs. Otto Diederich reported the following registrations:

Officers and State Board members	18
Delegates	69
Alternates	17
Members and guests	132
Total	236

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

President's Message.—Mrs. Harry O. Hund took the chair while the President, Mrs. A. E. Anderson gave her report, a résumé of the work accomplished during the year. Mrs. George Calvin of Alameda County moved that the report be accepted with deepest appreciation. Motion seconded and carried. A spontaneous rising vote of thanks was given the President.

Corresponding Secretary.—The report of Mrs. E. R. Scarboro was read. It was accepted by the President and placed on file.

Treasurer.—Mrs. C. G. Stadfield read her report which showed the following balances:

Checking Account	\$1,101.91
Savings Account	1,619.97
Total	\$2,721.88

This report was ordered placed on file.

Auditor.—The report of the Auditor was read by the Secretary. Mrs. McGovney of Santa Barbara moved and it was seconded that this report be accepted. Motion carried.

Finance.—Mrs. Harry O. Hund read the budget proposed for the coming year, 1941-1942:

Stationery and Printing	\$ 100.00
Stenographic and Clerical Help	125.00
Postage	75.00

Mrs. Hund moved the adoption of this budget. Motion seconded and carried.

Dues.—Mrs. Harry O. Hund moved that the annual dues for 1941-1942 remain at \$1. Motion seconded and carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Mrs. Forman, Los Angeles, moved and it was seconded that these reports be accepted as a whole. Motion seconded and carried.

Membership and Organization: Mrs. F. G. Lindemulder reported.

Program and Health Education: Mrs. Harry Huffman reported.

Public Relations: Mrs. A. A. Alexander reported.

Public Health Activities: Mrs. Eugene S. Kilgore reported.

Editor and Publicity: Mrs. William Boeck reported.

Hygeia: Mrs. Louis Packard reported.

Mrs. Kilgore moved that we accept the reports of the Standing Committees. Motion seconded and carried.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Legislative.—Mrs. Charles Kennedy's report was read and placed on file.

Historian.—Mrs. A. T. Newcomb's report was read and placed on file.

Recommendations from the State Board.—These were read by the Secretary.

The State Board recommends that since we are facing a great national crisis, the California Auxiliary feels it would be unwise to increase national dues. After discussion, Mrs. Percy of Los Angeles moved, and Mrs. Rogers, Alameda, seconded that this convention go on record as being opposed to any raise in national dues at this time and that the National Secretary be notified to that effect, so that this can be presented to the National Board at the convention at Cleveland, Ohio, in June. Motion carried.

Mrs. J. F. Percy moved that the convention recommend to the incoming Board that a Revision Committee be appointed to study such changes as should be made by next convention. Motion was seconded and carried.

Report of Nominating Committee.—Mrs. Franklin Farman, chairman, read the following report:

President-Elect.....Mrs. F. G. Lindemulder, San Diego Co.
1st Vice-President.....Mrs. R. S. Kneeshaw, Santa Clara Co.
2d Vice-President.....Mrs. Ralph Eusden, Los Angeles Co.
Recording Secretary.....Mrs. R. K. Cutter
Treasurer.....Mrs. E. J. Morrissey, San Francisco Co.
Councilors-at-Large

Mrs. R. Emerson Bond.....San Diego County
Mrs. Eric F. Colby.....Kern County
Mrs. F. D. Hankins.....Riverside County
Mrs. Rene Van de Carr.....Alameda County

Signed

MRS. FRANKLIN FARMAN, *Chairman*.
MRS. GEORGE CALVIN.
MISS JULIA KOENECKE.
MRS. WILLARD F. NEWMAN.
MRS. G. WENDELL OLSON.

The meeting adjourned to be followed by a luncheon at Pebble Beach Lodge, honoring Mrs. A. E. Anderson, President.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. K. CUTTER, *Recording Secretary*.

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SECOND MEETING

The second meeting of the Twelfth Annual Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association was called to order at 10:05 a. m., May 7, 1941, at

the Peninsula Country Club, Monterey, California, with the President, Mrs. A. E. Anderson, presiding.

Credentials.—Mrs. Otto Diederich reported the following registration as of 10 a. m., Wednesday, May 7, 1941: Officers and State Board members, 19; delegates, 75; alternates, 17; members and guests, 143; total, 254.

Minutes.—The Secretary, Mrs. R. K. Cutter, read the minutes of Tuesday, May 6, which were accepted as read.

Report of District Councilors.—Mrs. E. K. Canelo of San Jose moved, and it was seconded and carried, that the reports of the district councilors be accepted as a whole. Mrs. Stanley Truman moved that the reports be accepted as read and placed on file. Motion was seconded and carried.

Report of County Presidents.—Mrs. Eugene Kilgore of San Francisco moved, and it was seconded, that these reports be accepted as a whole. Motion carried.

Mrs. Huffman moved, and it was seconded, that the reports of absent county presidents be placed on file if no member has been delegated to read her report. Motion carried.

Mrs. P. J. Hanzlik moved, and it was seconded, that we accept and place on file the reports as read. Motion carried.

Report of Committee on Resolutions.—Mrs. Hobart Rogers, Alameda, presented the following report:

WHEREAS, The Twelfth Annual Session of the Woman's Auxiliary is now drawing to a close, and

WHEREAS, Many have added to the success and pleasure of this Convention; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association in Convention assembled extend its sincere thanks and grateful appreciation:

1. To Mrs. Axel E. Anderson, our President, whose charming personality and executive ability has endeared her to every member of the Auxiliary, and to the members of the Board of Directors who have so ably carried out their duties to a successful completion.

2. To Mrs. John C. Sharp and her Committees who have worked untiringly for the success of the sessions and the pleasure of the members and guests.

3. To the Reverend Theodore Bell who asked God's blessings on this Convention.

4. To Mrs. Milton Shutes and Dr. Charles Greenwood for the music for Memorial services.

5. To the Carmel Players for the very delightful evening honoring Mrs. Harry Wilson, wife of the President of the California Medical Association.

6. To the Management and Staff of the Hotel Del Monte and the Peninsula Country Club for their courtesies.

7. To the Council of the California Medical Association for their support during the year.

8. To Dr. Harry Wilson and the members of our Advisory Council for their coöperation and support and for their sympathetic understanding of our problems as an Auxiliary.

9. To Dr. Philip K. Gilman and to Dr. Chauncey Leake for their inspiring and enlightening messages.

10. To Lieutenant-Colonel Krafft for his kindness in planning for us an interesting and educational tour of the Hospital at Fort Ord; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of these Resolutions be sent by the Recording Secretary of the Convention to the above named, to whom we are deeply indebted, and a copy be placed on file.

Signed:

MRS. HOBART ROGERS
MRS. A. LINCOLN BROWN
MRS. GUY MANSON

Mrs. Hobart Rogers moved and Mrs. A. A. Alexander seconded the adoption of these resolutions. Motion carried.

Election of Officers.—Report of the Nominating Committee was read again by Miss Julia Koenecke.

There being no nominations from the floor, Mrs. Stanley Truman, Alameda, moved, Mrs. Kaho Daily, Contra Costa, seconded that the nominations be closed, and the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for the officers named in the report. The President declared them duly elected.

District Councilors.—The President called for nominations for District Councilors.

Third District: Mrs. C. W. Henderson nominated Mrs. Louis A. Packard, Bakersfield.

Fifth District: Mrs. Charles Moore nominated Mrs. Allan Pederson, Santa Cruz.

Sixth District: Mrs. Gerald O'Connor nominated Mrs. M. R. Gordon, San Francisco.

Seventh District: Mrs. Floyd Bell nominated Mrs. Kaho Daily, Contra Costa County.

Eighth District: Mrs. M. L. Azevedo nominated Mrs. C. C. Landis, Chico.

Ninth District: Mrs. Jones nominated Mrs. H. R. Madeley, Solano.

Mrs. D. C. Oakleaf, Sonoma, moved and it was seconded that the nominations be closed. Motion carried, and District Councilors were elected by viva voce vote.

Election of Three Members of Nominating Committee for 1942.—Mrs. Ralph Eusden nominated Mrs. Clifford Wright, Los Angeles; Mrs. Abbott Crum nominated Mrs. A. A. Alexander, Alameda County; Mrs. B. Lamkin nominated Mrs. Otto Diederich, Fresno.

Mrs. Stadfield moved that the nominations be closed. Motion was seconded and carried.

Announcements.—Mrs. Richard McGovney announced a request from Mrs. Ullmann that Auxiliaries help in the Cancer Control fight through entertainments and \$1 memberships.

Introduction of New Officers.—Mrs. A. E. Anderson presented Mrs. Harry O. Hund, President for 1941-1942, who responded, and introduced the newly elected officers.

Credentials.—Mrs. Otto Diederich read the final report on credentials and registrations: Officers and State Board members, 18; delegates, 78; alternates, 20; members and guests, 142; total, 258.

Minutes.—The Secretary read the minutes of this meeting, which were accepted as read.

There being no further business, the Twelfth Annual Convention adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. K. CUTTER, *Recording Secretary.*

CALIFORNIA PHYSICIANS' SERVICE†

BENEFICIARY MEMBERSHIP

September, 1939.....	1,220
March, 1940.....	9,322
September, 1940.....	17,398
March, 1941.....	24,107
June, 1941.....	27,632

California Physicians' Service is anxious to take the maximum advantage of the opportunity to work with local county medical societies through the coördinating committees now being named in each society. In order to give such committees all available information on California Physicians' Service, a series of monthly reports is being

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For roster of nonprofit hospitalization associates in California, see in front advertising section on page 3, bottom left-hand column.

prepared. The initial report will be released in August. This initial report will review the history and organization of California Physicians' Service and will give statistics based on the first year's experience. Subsequent reports will be progressive in two sections: (1) narrative material describing current operation policies, and (2) statistical material developed from actual records in the California Physicians' Service office.

The initial report will also contain the revised fee schedule approved by the Board of Trustees of California Physicians' Service at Del Monte. This fee schedule is based on several months of conference and study by the California Physicians' Service Fee Schedule Committee and appointed representatives of various scientific sections of California Medical Association. It is subject to revision at the discretion of the Board of Trustees.

It is hoped that these reports will provide participating physicians with current information descriptive of the month-by-month operation of the California Physicians' Service with summaries provided periodically for purposes of comparison. A copy of the report will be placed in the hands of the Secretary of each County Medical Society, where it will be readily accessible to all members of the society as well as to the members of the Coordinating Committee.

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A. E. Larsen, M. D., who has been carrying the dual responsibility of Secretary and Medical Director of California Physicians' Service and Medical Director of the Farm Security Administration, has assumed full time status with California Physicians' Service during July. In the judgment of the Board of Trustees of California Physicians' Service, the volume of work falling upon the person acting as Secretary and Medical Director of California Physicians' Service, with the beneficiary membership now approximately 30,000 and constantly increasing, is too time-consuming to be handled on a part-time basis.

Dr. Larsen has recently been appointed Clinical Instructor in Medicine by the Regents of the University of California.

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Medical Aid Is Assured City Crews

Group Insurance Provides for 2,000 Listed on Pay Rolls

Complete medical, surgical and hospital care at a nominal rate were made available to 2,000 city employees yesterday when a contract between *California Physicians' Service*, a nonprofit organization sponsored by the California Medical Association, and the City Employees Association of Long Beach was signed in the office of Attorney Harry Albert, legal representative of the city employees, according to Dewey Vaughn, president of the association.

This plan is being watched by physicians all over the nation with marked interest. It provides three weeks of hospitalization for any one illness, for any number of separate illnesses a year, and medical and surgical attention for conditions which arise after the time the contract is signed.

Hospitalization may be obtained for the wife and all dependents of the insured under 19 years of age for a small additional monthly payment.

Dr. H. Milton Van Dyke, president of the Harbor Branch of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, stated that California Physicians' Service is looking forward to the day when medical and surgical coverage for dependents as well as hospitalization will be available.

The hospital insurance is good anywhere in the United States in any lawfully operated hospital. Medical and surgical attention can be obtained anywhere in California.—Long Beach Press.

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Interesting Article on Health Insurance

But Health Insurance Is Different, by Nathan Sanai, is the title of an article in the August number of *Harper's Magazine*. This article is well worth the time for every

California physician to read. It describes with great clarity the problems confronting prepaid medical service plans. It contains many weighted statements of significance:

The battle for health insurance is over. . . . The job of making health insurance work has just begun. . . . Health insurance must turn into a little known path that offers only a few markers. . . . In certain fields of medical care no satisfactory information exists for the actuary. The most important gaps relate to diagnostic services, including those of specialists as consultants—laboratory facilities, etc. . . . There is an important place for experimental plans, for laboratories where different methods of practice and of payment may be tried and analyzed. . . . Under these conditions one may easily correct an error that might prove *disastrous* if it were made into a system with millions of subscribers and thousands of physicians. . . . Health insurance is in motion and behind it there is dynamic power that has as its source in the increasing public demand for relief from the economic hazard of sickness.

This article should be of special interest to physicians because its own "California Physicians' Service" is the only "laboratory" of its kind which is attempting to adjust the health [sickness] insurance principle to the traditional practice of medicine.

MEDICAL EPONYM

Gruber-Widal Test

The Gruber-Widal test is based on the theoretical investigations of Max von Gruber (1853-1927) of the Department of Hygiene in the University of Munich, and their practical application by Fernand Widal (1862-1929). Von Gruber, in an article entitled "Theorie der activen und passiven Immunität gegen Cholera, Typhus und verwandte Krankheitsprozesse [Theory of Active and Passive Immunity to Cholera, Typhoid Fever and Related Diseases]," which appeared in the *Münchener medizinische Wochenschrift* (43:206, 1896), concludes:

By means of intraperitoneal inoculation, with the killed culture of the vibrio of cholera, . . . the typhoid bacillus, and the colon bacillus, a high-grade and persistent immunity may be achieved in the guinea pig. . . . Antibodies are present in the blood and body fluids of the immunized animals. . . . The essential effect of the antibodies of the body fluids in these immunized animals consists in a destructive alteration of the enveloping structures of the bodies of the bacteria. This is shown by the fact that bacteria treated with these fluids become viscid, collect in large clumps and lose their individual motility.

Widal, in his article "Sero-diagnostic de la fièvre typhoïde [The Serum Diagnosis of Typhoid Fever]," which appeared in the *Bulletins et mémoires de la Société médicale des hôpitaux de Paris* (13:561-566, 1896), after acknowledging his debt to Pfeiffer, Koll and von Gruber, says:

We present a new method, which makes possible the diagnosis of typhoid fever simply by observing the effect of the patient's serum on a bouillon culture of Eberth's bacillus. . . . A small amount of blood . . . is collected under aseptic precautions; . . . the serum is decanted, and several drops are added to a tube of broth in the proportion of one part of serum to ten or fifteen parts of bouillon. . . . After twenty-four hours, the bouillon is only faintly clouded; a few floccules have settled to the bottom, and a whitish, rather heavy suspension is visible throughout the length of the tube. . . . Inspection of the tube is not enough; microscopic examination is also necessary. . . . The bacilli, instead of wriggling all over the preparation . . . are seen to be grouped, agglutinated together. . . . The diagnosis may also be made more quickly. . . . It may be so apparent that six drops of serum mixed with 4 cc. of culture, after being kept at room temperature for two or three hours, will produce the characteristic clumping to the naked eye. . . . The diagnosis must never be made until after microscopic examination. . . . If one drop of serum is added to ten drops of a culture of Eberth's bacillus, one may almost immediately demonstrate the characteristic bacterial agglomeration under the microscope.—R. W. B. in *New England Journal of Medicine*, March 13, 1941.